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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & CO., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRACON & CO., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street, NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

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CHINA:—SARLOW, GURKIN & CAMPBELL, AMoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & CO., FORTESCUE, HEDGES & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, MUNIC, C. H. HENKINS & CO., ZACCO, L. A. DA GAMA.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 650,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOPPIUS, Esq. Deputy Chairman—F. D. SASOON, Esq. E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. J. E. TOBIN, Esq. Hon. W. KIRKWOOD, Esq. A. MCIVER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent.
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drifts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL, £200,000. RESERVE FUND, £110,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drifts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. M. R. F. W. HAGEDORN has CEASED to be a Partner in our Firm here and in China.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 1, 1877. *sc18*

NOTICE. M. R. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my OFFICE, during my TEMPORARY ABSENCE from the COLONY.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877. *sc18*

NOTICE. FROM This Date Mr EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr M. W. GREIG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & Co. China, June 1, 1877. *del*

NOTICE. M. R. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

SANDER & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY,

the 5th September, 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD,

Sundry Condemned Naval and Victualing STORES, Comprising:—

OLD IRON.
" GLASS.
" HOSES.
" LIGNUM-VITE.

A quantity of Canvas, Cordage and Sundries, slightly damaged by fire.

OLD CASKS AND CASES.
" MESS. TRAPS.
do. do. do.

Also,

26 Copper and 9 Tin Bow Lanterns, with Lenses, &c., Complete.

TERMS of SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer. Hongkong, August 28, 1877. *sc5*

PUBLIC AUCTION.

WINES, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

WEDNESDAY, the 5th September, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.—(To close a Consignment of Messrs P. Laffitte & Co, Bordeaux).—

31 doz. CLARET, Bonnes Graves. 37 " do. Medoc. 8 " do. St. Emilion. 10 " do. do. pints. 8 " do. Latour. 17 " COGNAC.

Also,
12 cases CHAMPAGNE, Sillery Mousseaux, pints. 6 " do. Carte Blanche, pinta. 8 " do. Carte Noir, pinta. 5 " do. De Llosy quarts. 10 " do. Krug, quarts. 10 " do. do. pinta. 10 " Jules Robin's BRANDY. 20 " AVC do. 6 cases Liebig's TONIC WINE.

And,
An Assorted Invoice of Miako and Satsuma Vases, Tea Sets, Tea Cups and Saucers, Plates, Lacquered Ware, Silk Embroidery, Bronzes, Swords, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS of SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot, with all faults and errors of description, to be at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, September 3, 1877. *sc5*

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

At a Date hereafter to be named,—The British Barque

" ALPHINGTON," of 326 Tons Register or of about 8,000 piculs. Carrying Capacity, with all her TACKLE, APPAREL and INVENTORY.

The Vessel was Built under Lloyds special survey at Berwick-on-Tweed in 1866, Clasped 12 years A. 1. at Lloyds and continued in 1868 A. 1. for 8 years. She was Remasted over Felt in London in July, 1875.

TERMS.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the remainder upon Transfer being effected. The Vessel is at Purchaser's risk immediately after fall of hammer.

Hongkong, August 25, 1877.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to inform his Patrons and the Public that he intends to visit AMOY and FOOCHOW in September and October, leaving HONGKONG about the 16th of September.

Hongkong, August 6, 1877.

AH YON,

SHIPS' OOMPRADORA AND STEVEDORE, No. 57, Praya Wat.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMANS' STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

Intimations.

DEVOE'S BRILLIANT

OIL.

RELIABLE,

ECONOMICAL,

SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE MFG. CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING CO.,

80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Street,

[y11] NEW YORK, U. S. A.

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER

MANUFACTURERS,

AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS

AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877. *sc20*

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A SECOND BONUS OF EIGHT per cent. upon Contributions for the Year 1876 will be Payable on MONDAY Next, the 10th Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after 8th Instant.

By Order of the Board,

E. MOORE, Act. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 3, 1877. *sc10*

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th June last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING. (£1) per Share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 16, 1877. *sc16*

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of Twenty per cent (20 %) of the Net Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claim or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

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By Order,

W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 21, 1877. *sc11*

TO NATURALISTS.

C. E. BEDDOME, Esq., of Somerset

Queensland, will be happy to Open CONCHOLOGICAL CORRESPONDENCE with

Naturalists, with a view to exchanging

Land Shells and Plinthisidae.

August 25, 1877. *sc12*

Intimations.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claim or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

By Order,

JAS. B. COUGHLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877. *sc11*

W. B. BALI,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,



Mails.

To-day's Advertisements.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

HONG KONG AGENCY.

OWING to the inclemency of the weather, the Departure of the *SINDH*, for SHANGHAI, is POSTPONED till TO-MORROW, the 5th Instant, at Noon, instead of as previously notified.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se65

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIODO.
Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the Departure of the Ship *Shamron*.

"YORKSHIRE" is unavoidably POSTPONED until THURSDAY, the 6th Instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se66

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.
Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se67

TREASURY BILLS.

TENDERS of SPECIE, Mexican Dollars current in this Colony, weighing 7.1.7, in exchange for Bills, drawn at 10 days sight on the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, will be Received by the Treasurer until 11 a.m. on THURSDAY, the 6th Instant.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount required, and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn; but no Bill will be issued for sums below £1,000.

The Tenders to be in duplicate, in Sealed Covers, addressed to "The Treasurer," and endorsed "Tender for Treasury Bills."

The right to accept, or reject, any or all the Tenders is reserved.

O. R. SHERVINTON,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Assistant Commissary General,
Treasury Office, Commissariat Buildings,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se68

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FEIDAY,

the 7th September, 1877, at Noon.—
Green-Peas, Pickles, Jams, Jellies, Foolscap Paper, Shoes, Paint and Tooth Brushes, Gentlemen's and Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, Steel Umbrella Frames, Merino Drawers, Merino Socks, Linen Handkerchiefs, Sewing Needles, Pins, Walking Sticks.

Also,
100 One-catty tin Magenta Dye.
48 tin Ammonium Phosphate, a first-rate dressing for Flowers and Plants.

10 cases Oregon Champagne Cider.
3 bales Linen Bags, 40 by 20 inch.
10 Fairbank's Scales, to weigh 400, 600, 900, 1,200, and 1,400 lbs.
&c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se69

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from R. J. MACKENZIE, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY;

the 11th day of September, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence "Bea-regard,"

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE Comprising:—

English-made Rose-wood Morocco Covered Drawing-room Suites.

French-made Pear-wood Marble-top Centre Table and Side Tables, French-made Pear-wood Card Tables and Corner Cupboards.

Black Marble Mantel-piece Clock with Bronze Figures, Bronzed, Ornaments, Carpets, and Hearth Rugs.

Handsome Pier Glasses, from 7 ft. by 5 ft. to 9 ft. by 6 ft., and Engravings.

French Oak Dining Table and Side-boards.

Teakwood Dining-room Chairs.

Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass-ware and Plated-ware.

English-made Mahogany Bedroom Suite, Mahogany Wardrobes, Wooden and Iron Bedsteads, Mahogany Marble-top Washstands, Cheval Glass, and Marble-top Tables.

A Semi-grand PIANO, by PLEYEL WOLF & CO., Paris.

And,

An American BILLIARD TABLE, with Balls, Cues, &c., complete.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday,

the 10th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 4, 1877. se71

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 4, *Venice*, British steamer, 1271, P. L. Rhode, Calcutta Aug. 17, Penang, P. L. Rhode, Calcutta Aug. 17, Penang, and Singapore 28, Opium and General.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.

Sept. 4, *Chamomile*, Ship, barque, 480, E. Möller, Bangkok Aug. 23, Rice, CHINESE.

Sept. 4, *Banian*, British ship, 760, F. Grandin, Liverpool May 8, Coal.—MEYER & CO.

Sept. 4, *Iris*, German barque, 506, T. Krom, Touron Aug. 24, General.—ORDER.

Sept. 4, *Mikado*, German barque, 330, R. Hinsel, Haiphong Aug. 28, General.—MILCHERS & CO.

Sept. 4, *Georgina*, British barque, 315, Romney, Newcastle (N.S.W.) July 18, Coal.—WM. FUSTON & CO.

Sept. 4, *Jan Peter*, German barque, 336, Ewert, Haiphong Aug. 22, Rice.—SEIM & CO.

Sept. 4, *Tionian*, British barque, 373, E. Cave, Bangkok Aug. 17, Rice.—ORDER.

Sept. 4, *Lucre*, Siamese barque, 432, H. Kindt, Bangkok August 21, General.—TACK MEE.

Sept. 4, *Charité*, French barque, 266, F. Hervé, Saigon Aug. 23, General.—CARLOWITZ & CO.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 4, *Pilgrim*, for Portland (Oregon).

4, *Esmeralda*, for Manila.

4, *Rover*, for Labuan.

CLEARED.

Annie S. Hall, for Keelung.

Pym, for Shanghai.

Emily Chaplin, for Portland (Oregon).

William Phillips, for Singapore.

Pesto, for Tientsin.

Engactor, for Amoy.

St. Elmo, for Callao.

Bua Pan, for Bangkok.

St. Idene, for Newchwang.

Yorkshire, for Yokohama.

Antenor, for Shanghai.

Nestor, for London, &c.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Venice*, from Straits, 267 Chinese.

Per *Iris*, from Touron, 70 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Esmeralda*, for Manila, Mr. J. Fonce de Leon, and 20 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Nestor*, for Singapore, 8 Europeans, and 73 Chinese; for London, Captain McVicar, and 2 Seamen.

Per *Antenor*, for Shanghai, 4 Europeans, and 20 Chinese.

Per St. Idene, for Newchwang, 1 European.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Siamese barque *Chamomile* reports: Equally weather with rain.

The British ship *Banian* reports: Generally fine weather throughout.

The British barque *Georgina* reports: Had favourable weather to Guam, then light variable winds to arrival.

The German barque *Jan Peter* reports: First part moderate Easterly wind, strong with heavy swell from N.E. to East.

On the 3rd at 2.30 p.m. the wind shifted to S.E.

The British barque *Tionian* reports: Strong N.W. winds in the Gulf of Siam, then moderate to Paracels, from thence to Hongkong strong gales from E.N.E. equally with rain. On the 3rd of September, wind S.E. blowing a strong gale with rain. Sea running high.

The Siamese barque *Lucre* reports: Down the Gulf of Siam strong W. winds, from Pulo Obi to about lat. 150° N. had fresh southerly winds and squalls. From thence to port had a succession of gales to East, with a low Barometer and a very confused sea.

The British steamer *Venice* reports: Had moderate monsoon and fine weather up to Cape Padar. On the night of the 1st strong N.W. winds with heavy squalls and high sea. On the night of 2nd heavy gale from S.W. with very heavy squalls and high sea, ship shifted cargo getting a strong list to port and blew away all after awnings. Since then strong S.W. winds with very heavy squalls and rain and heavy sea.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

Volume Sixth of the

"CHINA REVIEW."

IS NOW READY.

IT CONTAINS—

Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hongkong.

Constitutional Law of the Chinese Empire.

The Tang Hou Chi, A Modern Chinese Novel.

A Chinese Primer.

The Law of Inheritance.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—

Chinese Marriages.

Studies in Words.

The Educational Curriculum of the Chinese.

Restoration of the Old Sounds of the Chinese Language.

Notes on Chinese Grammar.

Russian Sinologists.

Assyria and China.

The Word "Swallow."

Corrigenda—Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hongkong.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, August 31, 1877.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILED BY THE TORRE STRAITS PACKET.—

The Australian Contract Packet *SOMERSET*, will be despatched from Hongkong on WEDNESDAY, the 5th September, with Mails for Singapore, Somers, Cocktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tasmania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence cannot be registered after 3.15 p.m.

The Mails will be closed at 8.30 p.m.

Correspondence for New Zealand must be specially directed via *Torre Straits*, or it will be sent via Galle.

Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.

A Supplementary Mail for Singapore only will close on board 10 minutes before the vessel starts. Late Letters for Australia must be sent to the care of an Agent at Singapore.

Hongkong, August 28, 1877. se55

facts of its being situated on a high road, and south-west of Eski-Juma, where the Russians were recently reported to have suffered a defeat, are points in favour of its being the scene of the conflict.

Tarlok is about twenty miles to the south-east of Rustchuk. Matters are certainly looking very serious for the Russians. Not only have they been defeated in two places on the banks of the Lom within the last few days, but the latest telegram which we publish elsewhere records what appears to be an equally crushing defeat at Plevna, making the third received by the Russians in that neighbourhood.

The battle of Plevna referred to in the papers received from home by the last mail is not the one at which the Russians were telegraphed to have lost some thirty thousand men in killed and wounded, the latter battle having taken place a week or more subsequently.

The Russians have now been badly beaten on both flanks, and we may shortly hear of their voluntary retirement from the Schipka Pass.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL." (Via Southern Route.)

THE WAR.

LONDON, 1st September, 1877.

News has arrived that after desperate fighting, lasting for nine hours, at Kara Kassaner on the banks of the Lom, the Russians were defeated and retreated in disorder, losing 4,0

INSURANCES.

HAMBURG-MAGDEBURG FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF HAMBURG.

THIS Company is now Prepared to Issue Policies against LOSS or DAMAGE by FIRE at Current Rates. Every Risk taken by this Company is participated in by Three of the largest German Fire Insurance Companies, representing an aggregate Capital and Surplus of over SIXTY MILLION MARKS, equal to FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS, thus enabling this Company to accept large lines.

SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 26, 1877.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—Tael Two Million, in 1,000 shares of Tael 2,000 each. PAID UP CAPITAL—Tael Six Hundred Thousand, or Tael 600 per share.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

F. H. BELL, Esq. (Messrs Adamson, Bell & Co.) M. S. GUNNAY, Esq., (Messrs David Sasseon & Sons & Co.)

JAMES HART, Esq., (Messrs Turner & Co.)

E. H. LAVENS, Esq., (Messrs Gilman & Co.)

HUGH SUTHERLAND, Esq., (Messrs John Forster & Co.)

A. G. WOOD, Esq., (Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Secretary—HERBERT S. MORRIS, Esq.

BANKERS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

BRANCHES.

LONDON (25, Cornhill, E.C.), HONGKONG,

YOKOHAMA.

A G E N C I E S.

At the principal ports in the East and Australian Colonies.

THE Company will be constituted on the 1st January, 1878, as a permanent Marine Insurance Company, to carry on the business (established in 1863) of the NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1875-1877.

A Reserve Fund will be formed of Tael 400,000, by setting aside a portion of the profits at such times and in such sums as the Shareholders shall decide.

The net profits of the Company for each year will be divided amongst the Shareholders in the following manner:—

One-third over the Share, a portion thereof being set aside for the formation of a Reserve Fund as above stated.

Two-thirds as a return to Contributors (being Shareholders), in proportion to the Premium paid or influenced by them.

A revision of the Share List will take place at the end of every three years, and for this purpose power will be given to the Directors by the Deed of Settlement to withdraw at the before-mentioned periods all or any of the Share held by Shareholders who have not contributed Premium or whose contributions during the preceding three years have not been in proportion to the number of Shares held.

Shareholders retiring from the Company will, in pursuance of the above regulation, and prior to the date of revision, to sell their Shares to any person approved by the Company and accepted as the transferee; or

Upon surrendering their scrip certificate for cancellation at the time of such revision, and pursuant to notice, will receive a return of the Capital paid up thereon; and so soon after as the financial position of the Company up to the date of the revision can be ascertained and the accounts adjusted, they shall also receive a pro-rata share of the Reserve Fund, if any accumulated, together with such proportion of the unappropriated profits as may be found due to them.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Applications for Shares in the undermentioned form will be received at the office of the Company, from residents in China and Japan, until the 30th September; from London and distant ports until 31st October next.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Provisional Committee of the NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

Gentlemen, hereby request that you will allot to..... Shares in the above Company, and..... agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to..... and..... agree to pay the first call of Tael 600 per Share, and all subsequent calls, and to subscribe the Deed of Settlement when required to do so.

Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

.....

Forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the Head-office, or by application to the Agents of the Company.

Shanghai, June 18, 1877.

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SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION Dollars.

Directors.

KWON ACHUENG, Merchant.

FANG YIM, Merchant.

HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.

LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.

LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.

CHENG SING YKONG, Merchant.

CHOW CHAT, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

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